MESSAGES FROM THE LOK SABHA

(i) The Customs and Central Excise Laws (Repeal) Bill, 2004

(ii) The Banking Regulation (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill, 2004

SECRETARY-GENERAL: Sir, I have to report to the House the following messages received from the Lok Sabha, signed by the Secretary-General of the Lok Sabha.

(I) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Customs and Central Excise Laws (Repeal) Bill, 2004, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 1st December, 2004".

The Speaker has certified that this Bill is a Money Bill within the meaning of article 110 of the Constitution of India.

(II) "In accordance with the provisions of rule 96 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Lok Sabha, I am directed to enclose the Banking Regulation (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill, 2004, as passed by Lok Sabha at its sitting held on the 2nd December, 2004."

Sir, I lay a copy each of the Bills on the Table. (MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair)

Statement regarding Government Business

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI); Sir, I beg to announce that the Government Business in this House for the week commencing 6th December, 2004, will consist of: -

1. Consideration and passing of: -

The Customs and Central Excise Laws (Repeal) Bill, 2004, as passed by Lok Sabha; and

The Displaced Persons Claims and Other Laws (Repeal) Bill, 2004.

2. Discussion on the Statutory Resolution seeking disapproval of the Banking Regulation (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Provisions Ordinance, 2004, and consideration and passing of the Banking Regulation (Amendment) and Miscellaneous Provisions Bill, 2004, as passed by Lok Sabha.

3. Discussion on the Statutory Resolution seeking disapproval of the following ordinances and consideration and passing of the Bills seeking to replace these Ordinances after they have been passed by Lok Sabha:

The Prevention of Terrorism (Repeal) Ordinance, 2004; and

The Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Amendment Ordinance, 2004.

4. Consideration and passing of the following Bills after they have been passed by Lok Sabha:

The Securities Laws (Amendment) Bill, 2004.

The Enforcement of Security Interest and Recovery of Debt Laws Bill, 2004; and

5. Consideration and Passing of the Central Excise Tariff (Amendment) Bill, 2004 after it has been passed by the Lok Sabha.

SPECIAL MENTIONS

Setting up a Wage Board in Newspaper Industry

SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN (Kerala): Mr. Deputy Chairman, Sir, my Special Mention is in respect of the wages and terms and conditions of employment in the media fraternity in our country.

Sir, it is the legitimate duty of the Government of India to set up a Wage Board for determining the wages, terms and conditions of employment of journalists and non-journalists in newspaper industry. Sir, after the partial implementation of the recommendations of the Manisana Wage Board, seven years have elapsed since the wages in the newspaper industry were last revised. The Wage Boards brought in wage discipline in